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In response to the Office Action mailed July 7, 2006, please reconsider in view of the included remarks as follows.

**Listing of the Claims** begin on page 2 of this paper.

**Remarks** begin on page 13 of this paper.